



# Lesbian/Gay Archives of San Diego

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Dear Pat,

Thanks a million, not only for the fat check, but for the very lovely letter that you sent me on June 6th. It was wonderful of you to say all of those nice things. And it really boosted my morale and made my day.

You know, of course, that the admiration goes both ways. I am still benefiting from the things that I learned working with you. And it was indeed a thrill to have you present on my special evening. Gosh, what a night! People are still telling me what a lovely event it was and what a good time they had. I sure had a good time.

Our Pride Parade & Festival was a smashing success this year—finished in the black for the first time since the late fifties. The Archives contingent in the parade won the theme award and was pictured in the San Diego Union—the only picture of the parade that they printed.

We had the largest tent in the festival for the Archives exhibit. We busted our butts for weeks getting our display ready and it really paid off. Many people said that it was the best thing at the festival, and one of the local gay newspapers called it "a museum in a tent". 2365 people visited the exhibit and most of them raved. We did a "time line" covering 2,500 years of lesbian/gay contributions to world culture, displayed Pride posters and memorabilia from around the nation and several foreign countries, and presented videos on pre-Stonewall conditions, and a two-projector dissolving slide show of past parades and other local lesbian/gay events and the March on Washington 1987. It was too much to assimilate all at once.

Oh, about the auction—a p.r. success but only raised \$4700. We were hoping for \$10,000 but by the last week we knew we were going to fall short. I'm still proud of what we did. The few people who attended said that it was the finest auction they had ever attended. That means a lot to me because I am very concerned about our "image".

I am delighted that you and Stevie will be down in S.D. in August. Please call me as soon as you get into town so that we can arrange some time together. I'm really looking forward to it.

Love in the struggle,

*Jess*

P.S.: Can you tell that I'm having the times of my life?